SLAYING SUSPECT HAD SHOTGUN , WOMAN IN WHEELCHAIR TESTIFIES

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Barbara Jean Henton, testifying from a wheelchair Wednesday, said Timothy Kincaid ran by her with a **shotgun** moments before a small Ferguson Street house was rocked by gunfire that left her paralyzed and three close friends dead.

"I didn't glimpse him; I saw him," Henton emphatically told defense lawyer Wilfred Rice as he cross-examined her in Recorder's Court.

Kincaid is on trial on three charges of first-degree murder and assault for his alleged role in the June 1978 **slayings** and the wounding of Henton.

KILLED IN THE ATTACK were Sharon Burrell, Henton's one- time boyfriend; Pamela Lewis, and Stephanie Ellington. The shooting took place in Lewis' home on the 15800 block of Ferguson in Detroit.

Quincy Robinson, murdered in his cell last month at the Huron Valley Maximum Security Prison for men, was convicted for his part in the **slayings**. Charges against a third man, Norman Burton, were dismissed in 1978.

Robinson, Burrell's half-brother; Kincaid and Burton were all members of the Organization, a group of former street gang members who banded together in the late 1970s to deal drugs and rip off other pushers.

Arrested shortly after the murders, Kincaid, then 16, soon escaped from the Wayne County Youth Home. Kincaid, now 20, was recaptured by FBI agents last summer in Oakland, Cal.

HENTON FREQUENTLY SNAPPED at Rice during the brief cross-examination when he suggested that her memory might not be clear after almost four years.

"I remember what happened," she told him. "It's very hard to forget."

Kincaid, wearing tortoise rim glasses and appearing much younger than 20, intently studied court documents during Henton's testimony. He barely glanced up, even when she cried.

Henton testified that she, Lewis and another woman were sitting at the dining room table when Kincaid suddenly ran past the doorway carrying a **shotgun**. But she said she did not see him shoot anyone.

"The next thing I saw was Quincy Robinson shoot Pamela (Lewis). He came from the direction of the front room . . . He took a step into the room and fired," she said.

When Rice tried to pinpoint where Lewis fell, Henton cut his questions short with: "The man blew her head off up side the wall."

Assistant Medical Examiner Dr. Haresh Mirchandani testified that Lewis died from a single close-range **shotgun** blast to her face. Burrell died of multiple close-range **shotgun** and bullet wounds and Ellington was killed by a single pistol shot to the face.

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